From: Simmons, Denise
To: Nancy Salzman
Subject: Re: BDS Meeting
Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2018 9:47:40 AM

Dear Ms. Salzman,

Thank you for your email. So far, I have not yet seen an actual draft of the proposed resolution asking the City to cease purchasing HP equipment and supplies. I understand there's been a great deal of concern in the community about this matter – yet I must underscore that **this will only appear on the City Council's April 23 agenda if one or more City Councilors sponsor it.** We will not know if it is on the agenda until either a City Councilor publicly declares that they'll be sponsoring this (to my knowledge, this has not happened), or until the agenda is finalized by the Clerk's Office and posted online this Thursday evening around 5:30 pm. I can, at the very least, confirm that *I* am not a sponsor of such a resolution.

There have been numerous op-eds, emails, and social media posts condemning the City Council for rushing this to a vote without adequate opportunities for the public to weigh in, or even giving people a chance to read the resolution. Some people have condemned the City Council for seemingly being on the brink of passing this resolution, or for seemingly being on the brink of rejecting it. Neither of these scenarios is accurate. While I understand the passion behind this matter, I must clarify that we do not yet actually have a resolution or policy order in front of us, there has been absolutely no debate about this amongst the City Councilors, and the City Council will not have an opportunity to bring this up for consideration unless and until a resolution is sponsored by at least one of us and introduced at a public meeting. At this point, I am not yet certain if such a resolution will be introduced or not.

I appreciate your reaching out and seeking to speak on this matter. My recommendation would be to contact the City Council Office at 617.349.4280 this Friday to inquire whether or not this is on the agenda for Monday night. If it *is*, then the Council Secretary will be able to take your name and sign you up to speak. I hope this information is helpful to you.

E. Denise Simmons

From: Nancy Salzman <ewsalzman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 9:12 PM
To: City Council
Subject: BDS Meeting

To whom it may concern: I am a Cambridge Citizen/Homeowner. I stopped by the City Hall today (Tuesday) but there was no information available about the BDS Meeting. I now have your address and want to sign up to **speak** at your BDS/HP Hearing. Can you please put me on the List. I shall be there before the 5:30 meeting in my "Walker" (which I can is on if there are no seats). Is there any other information I require? Thank you, Nancy L. Salzman

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